Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

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Department of the Treasury

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Part		
1	Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III	<u>v</u>
•	The corporation was formed for the common good and general welfare to educate and advocate for free enterprise, limited	
	government, economic growth and traditional values.	
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2	Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the	
_		s 🗌 No
	If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O.	
3	Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services?	. 🗔 🗤
	If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O.	s 🗹 No
4	Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as me	easured by
	expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations	to others,
	the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported.	
40	(Code:) (Expenses \$	0.)
44	The Coalition worked to educate and advocate for government reforms that would result in a stronger economy, lower taxes,	
	more jobs and a balanced budget. These reforms included term limits for elected official and fair redistricting maps that would	
	reduce gridlock and pave the way for limited government, education reform, balanced budget and pro-growth economic policy. It also	
	advocated for less government regulation to keep energy prices low and create jobs.	
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Part I	V Checklist of Required Schedules			
			Yes	No
1	Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? If "Yes,"			
_	complete Schedule A	1	-	-
2 3	Is the organization required to complete <i>Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors</i> (see instructions)? Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? <i>If</i> "Yes," <i>complete Schedule C, Part I</i>	2	~	
4	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h)	3	_	~
•	election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II	4		
5	Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Revenue Procedure 98-19? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III	5		,
6	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I	6		v
7	Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II	7		~
8	Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III	8		,
9	Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability, serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X; or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV	9		,
10	Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi-endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V	10		,
11	If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is "Yes," then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable.			
а	Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI	11a		,
b	Did the organization report an amount for investments—other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII	11b		,
С	Did the organization report an amount for investments—program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII	11c		,
d	Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX	11d		,
е	Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X	11e	<u> </u>	1
f	Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X.	11f		,
12 a	Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII	12a		,
b	Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional	12b		,
13	Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E	13		~
14 a	Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?	14a		V
b	Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV.	14b		,
15	Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any foreign organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV	15		~
16	Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or other assistance to or for foreign individuals? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV.	16		~
17	Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I (see instructions)	17		~
18	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II	18		,
19	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III	19		,

Part	Checklist of Hequired Schedules (continued)			
20 a	Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? If "Yes," complete Schedule H	20a	Yes	No
	If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?	20b		
21	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or domestic government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II	21	~	
22	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for domestic individuals on Part IX, column (A), line 2? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III	22		~
23	Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? If "Yes," complete Schedule J	23		1
24a	Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25a	24a		V
	Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception? . Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?	24b 24c		
	Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year? Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I	24d 25a		
b	Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I	25b	-	,
26	Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5, 6, or 22 for receivables from or payables to any current or former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, or disqualified persons? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II	26		~
27	Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III	27		v
28	Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filling thresholds, conditions, and exceptions):			
	A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV. A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV.	28a 28b		v
С	An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	28c		~
29 30	Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified	29		~
31	conservation contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M	30	-	-
32	Part I	31		V
33	complete Schedule N, Part II	32		V
34	Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1	33		v
35a	Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	35a		V
b	If "Yes" to line 35a, did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2	35b		V
36	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2	36		
37	Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI	37		~
38	Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19° Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O.	38	v	

Part				
	Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V	<u> </u>	<u>.</u>	
			Yes	No
1a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable 1a 0			
b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable	İ		
С	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and			
	reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	1c		<u> </u>
2a	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax			
_	Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return 2a 0			
b	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? . Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file (see instructions)	2b		
За	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	3a		V
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No" to line 3b, provide an explanation in Schedule O	3b		-
4a	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority	00		
	over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial			1
	account)?	4a		1
b	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: ▶			
	See instructions for filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts			
	(FBAR).			1
5a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?	5a		1
b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	5b		1
C	If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?	5c		
6a	Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the			
	organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible as charitable contributions?	<u>6a</u>	-	
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or			
_	gifts were not tax deductible?	6b	~	
7	Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c). Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods			
а	and services provided to the payor?	7a		<u> </u>
b	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?	7b		
C	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was	7.0		-
	required to file Form 8282?	7c		
d	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year			
е	Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	7e		ļ
f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?	7f		
g	If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?	7g		
h	If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?	7h		
8	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds. Did a donor advised fund maintained by the			
	sponsoring organization have excess business holdings at any time during the year?	8		
9	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.			
a	Did the sponsoring organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?	9a	<u> </u>	-
_b	Did the sponsoring organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?	9b	ļ	-
10	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter.			
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12			
ь 11	Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter			
''a	Gross income from members or shareholders			Ì
b	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources			
	against amounts due or received from them.)			1
12a	Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?	12a	-	
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year 12b			
13	Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.			
а	Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state?	13a		
	Note. See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O.			
þ	Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which		}	}
	the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans			
С	Enter the amount of reserves on hand		ļ	ļ
14a	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?	14a		~
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O .	14b	L.	

Part	response to line 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. S	ee ins	truct	ions.
Cooti	Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VI	· ·	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Secti	on A. Governing Body and Management		Vaa	l Na
4.	Established with the second of	_	Yes	No
та	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year . 1			
	If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or			
	if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar			
	committee, explain in Schedule O.			
b	Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent . 1b 1			
2	Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with			
	any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?	2		~
3	Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct			
	supervision of officers, directors, or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person? .	3		~
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?	4		~
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets? .	5		~
6	Did the organization have members or stockholders?	6		~
7a	Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint			
	one or more members of the governing body?	7a		V
b	Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members,			_
	stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?	7b		~
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during			
	the year by the following:			
а	The governing body?	8a	~	
b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	8b	~	\vdash
9	Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at		<u> </u>	_
•	the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O	9		~
Secti	on B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Reven		ode l	
0000	on b. 1 Choice (This occusion b requests unformation about poincies not required by the internal rieven	<u>uc </u>	Yes	No
102	Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?	10a		~
	If "Yes," did the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters,	Iva		
-	affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with the organization's exempt purposes?	10b		
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_		11a	~	
b	Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990.	-		
12a	Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13	12a		
b	Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	12b	~	
С	Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes,"			١.
	describe in Schedule O how this was done	12c		~
13	Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	13	~	
14	Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	14	~	
15	Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by			
	independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?	<u> </u>		
	The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official	15a		~
b	Other officers or key employees of the organization	15b		~
	If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O (see instructions).			
16a	Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement			
	with a taxable entity during the year?	16a		~
b	If "Yes," did the organization follow a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its			
	participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and take steps to safeguard the			
	organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?	16b		L
Secti	on C. Disclosure			
17	List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed ▶			
18	Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (Section	501	c)(3)s	only)
	available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply.			
	☐ Own website ☐ Another's website ☑ Upon request ☐ Other (explain in Schedule O)			
19	Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of int	erest	policy	y, and
	financial statements available to the public during the tax year.			
20	State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and re	cords	· >	
	D. Eric Lycan, Dinsmore & Shohl LLP, 250 West Main Street, Suite 1400, Lexington, Kentucky 40507. (859) 425-1000			

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Part VII	Compensation of Officers,	Directors,	Trustees,	Key Employees,	Highest	Compensated	Employees,	and
	Independent Contractors							

Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

- 1a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.
- List all of the organization's current officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
 - List all of the organization's current key employees, if any. See instructions for definition of "key employee."
- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's former directors or trustees that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors; institutional trustees; officers; key employees; highest compensated employees; and former such persons.

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Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees (continued)														
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d	Total (add lines 1b and 1c) .								0		0			0
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	reportable compensation from the organi							•	0	•				
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3	Did the organization list any former of							emp	oloyee, or high	est compe	nsated	j 🗀		
	employee on line 1a? If "Yes," complete 3	Schedule J	for su	ıch	ındı	ıvıdı	ıal					3		1
4	For any individual listed on line 1a, is the													
	organization and related organizations	•							•	edule J fo	r such	ı		
	individual											4		~
5	Did any person listed on line 1a receive of									ation or ind	ıvıdua			
	for services rendered to the organization	? If "Yes," c	ompi	ete	Scr	nedu	ile J f	or s	such person		<u>· · · </u>	5		V
	n B. Independent Contractors													
1	Complete this table for your five highest													
	compensation from the organization. Rep	ort compe	nsatio	on to	or tr	те с	alend	ar y	year ending wit	n or within t	he org	ganizatio	on's ta	ax
	year.													
	(A) Name and business add	ress							(B) Description of s	envices		(C) Compens	ation	
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2	Total number of independent contractor							t	nose listed abo	ove) who				
	received more than \$100,000 of compens	ation from t	the or	gan	izat	ion I	>		0					

Part	VIII	Statement of Reve							
		Check if Schedule O	contains	a res	ponse or note to	any line in this	Part VIII		<u> </u>
						(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512-514
nts nts	1a	Federated campaigns	·	1a					
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	b	Membership dues .		1b					!
S, C	C	Fundraising events .		1c		·		ĺ	
ar ar	đ	Related organizations		1d		ļ			
ini	е	Government grants (con		1e					
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호美		and similar amounts not inc		1f	507515			1	
ğ 5	g	Noncash contributions include							
	<u>h</u>	Total. Add lines 1a-1	<u>f </u>	<u> </u>		507515		ļ	
Program Service Revenue	_				Business Code			·	
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<u>چ</u>	g	Total. Add lines 2a-2				-		L	<u> </u>
	3	Investment income	(including	divid	ends, interest.			T	T
		and other similar amo							
	4	Income from investmen	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·						
	5	Royalties			>				
			(ı) Rea		(ii) Personal				
	6a	Gross rents							
	b	Less: rental expenses							
	C	Rental income or (loss)							
	d	Net rental income or	(loss) .		•				
	7a	Gross amount from sales of	(i) Securit	ies	(II) Other				
		assets other than inventory							
	b	Less: cost or other basis							
		and sales expenses .							
	С	Gain or (loss)							
	d	Net gain or (loss) .			▶			<u> </u>	
enne	8a	Gross income from fu	ındraısıng			ļ			
Other Rev		of contributions reporte See Part IV, line 18 .							
the	h	Less: direct expenses		-					
0		Net income or (loss) f							
		Gross income from ga See Part IV, line 19	aming activi	ities.					
	h	Less: direct expenses		_		ļ			
		Net income or (loss) f							
		Gross sales of in	-	_					
		returns and allowance				,			
	b	Less: cost of goods s	sold	. b					
		Net income or (loss) f							
		Miscellaneous F			Business Code				
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İ	d	All other revenue .							
,	е	Total. Add lines 11a-	-11d		>				
	12	Total revenue. See in	nstructions		•	507515			

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	Statement of Functional Expenses				
Section	on 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must com				lumn (A).
<u>Do ac</u>	Check if Schedule O contains a response include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b,	(A)	e in this Part IX .		· · · · · <u> </u>
8b, 9L	o, and 10b of Part VIII.	Total expenses	Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1	Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21]	
2	Grants and other assistance to domestic	426000	426000		
2	individuals. See Part IV, line 22	0	0		
3	Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16	0	0		
4	Benefits paid to or for members	0	0		
5	Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	0	0	0	0
6	Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)	9	0	0	0
7	Other salaries and wages	0	0	0	<u>_</u>
8	Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	0	0	0	
9	Other employee benefits	0	0	0	
10	Payroll taxes	0	0	0	0
11	Fees for services (non-employees):	,			
а	Management	0	0	0	0
b	Legal	10213	6172	0	0
c.	Accounting		0	0	0
d	Lobbying		0	0	0
e f	Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17 Investment management fees				
g	Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O.)				
12	Advertising and promotion	69442	69442		
13	Office expenses				
14	Information technology				
15 16	Royalties				
17	Trovol				
18	Payments of travel or entertainment expenses				
	for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19	Conferences, conventions, and meetings .				
20	Interest				
21	Payments to affiliates				
22	Depreciation, depletion, and amortization .				
23	Insurance				
24	Other expenses, Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) expenses as Sabadula (A)				
_	(A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)				
a b	Bank fees	25	0		
C					
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e	All other expenses		-		
25_	Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	505680	501614		
26	Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)				

Р	art X	Balance Sheet			
		Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Par	tX		
			(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1	Cash-non-interest-bearing	2920.01	1	4755
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments		2	
	3	Pledges and grants receivable, net		3	
	4	Accounts receivable, net		4	
	5	Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors,			
		trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees.			
		Complete Part II of Schedule L		5	
	6	Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instructions). Complete Part II of Schedule L.		6	
	7	Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8	Inventories for sale or use		8	
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges		9	
	10a	Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or	<u>-</u>		
		other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D 10a			
	b	Less: accumulated depreciation 10b		10c	
	11	Investments—publicly traded securities		11	
	12	Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11		12	
	13	Investments – program-related. See Part IV, line 11		13	
	14	Intangible assets	-	14	
	15	Other assets. See Part IV, line 11		15	
	16	Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	2920.01	16	4755
Liabilities	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses		17	
	18	Grants payable		18	
	19	Deferred revenue		19	
	20	Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20	
	21	Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D .		21	
	22	Loans and other payables to current and former officers, directors,			
		trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L			
				22	
	23	Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		23 24	<u> </u>
	24	Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third		24	
	25	parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24) Complete Part X			
	}	of Schedule D		25	
	26	Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	0		0
_		Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here ▶ ☐ and			
Net Assets or Fund Balances		complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.			t
	27	Unrestricted net assets		27	
	28	Temporarily restricted net assets		28	
	29	Permanently restricted net assets		29	
		Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here ▶ ☑ and complete lines 30 through 34.			
	30	Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		30	
	31	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund		31	
	32	Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds.		32	
	33	Total net assets or fund balances	2920.01	33	4755
	34	Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	2920.01	34	4755
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Part	XI Reconciliation of Net Assets						
	Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI						
1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1			50	07515	
2				505680			
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1			1835			
4					2920.01		
5	game (cools) and an analysis of the cools of				0		
6					0		
7	Investment expenses						
8	Prior period adjustments					0	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)						
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line						
	33, column (B))	10				4755	
Part	XII Financial Statements and Reporting						
	Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII						
			_	Y	es	No	
1	Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990. 🗹 Cash 🔲 Accrual 🔲 Other		_				
	If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," exp	olain	n				
	Schedule O.				_ _		
2a	The same of Samuel and the same of the sam			а	_	<u> </u>	
	If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were comp	olled o	or	- 1		1	
	reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both:						
	Separate basis Consolidated basis Both consolidated and separate basis						
b	Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?		• 🗀	b	\perp	<u> </u>	
	If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audite	d on	a			ļ	
	separate basis, consolidated basis, or both					1	
	Separate basis Consolidated basis Both consolidated and separate basis		.		-		
С	If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for over the guidat request, or completion of its funnsial statements and colorisms of an independent account.		. 1				
	of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accou			c	4		
	If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, ex Schedule O.	piain .	n			Ì	
За	As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set	forth	n 🗀	_ _			
	the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?.		з	а			
b	If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not under	rgo th	ie 🗀		T		
	required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such a	udits	3	b			

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SCHEDULE I (Form 990)

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Name of the organization

Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations, Governments, and Individuals in the United States

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 21 or 22.

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► Attach to Form 990. ► Information about Schedule I (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

Schedule I (Form 990) (2016) **%**□ Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form (h) Purpose of grant or assistance Political Contribution ✓ Yes General Support 47-4425291 Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and 990, Part IV, line 21, for any recipient that received more than \$5,000. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed. (g) Description of noncash assistance . . (f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other) Cat No 50055P Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States. (e) Amount of non-cash assistance Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations listed in the line 1 table (d) Amount of cash 180,000 246,000 grant Enter total number of other organizations listed in the line 1 table (c) IRC section (if applicable) the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance? For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 990. General Information on Grants and Assistance 501(c)(6) 527 47-4486829 47-4417666 (P) EIN Coalition for Growth and Opportunity, Inc. 1 (a) Name and address of organization 250 W Main St Ste 1400 Lexington KY (2) Growth & Opportunity PAC (1) Illinois Business & Industry or government Council (see below) Part Part ପ୍ର 4 9 9 8 6) (E) 12 E []

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Part III	Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Part III can be duplicated if additional space		als. Complete if the I.	organization answ	Individuals. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 22. is needed.	
	(a) Type of grant or assistance		(c) Amount of cash grant	(d) Amount of noncash assistance	(e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f) Description of noncash assistance
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Part IV	Supplemental Information. Provide the information required in Part I, line 2; Part III, column (b); and any other additional information.	- Z I	equired in Part I, lin	e 2; Part III, columr	ı (b); and any other addıtı	onal information.
ADVANCE	FIRT I, LINE 2: TO SUFFORT THE ORGANIZATIONS GOALS. THE GRANT TO SPECIFIC GRANT LETTER AGREEMENT, WHICH INCLUDED	LINED ABOVE, IH	E ORGANIZATION PR	OVIDED A GENERAL NT LETTER AGREEM	NBOVE, THE UNGANIZATION FROVIDED A GENERAL SUFFORT GRANT TO IL BIL WHOSE ACTIVITIES DE PURSUANT TO SPECIFIC GRANT LETTER AGREEMENT, WHICH INCLUDED	VHOSE ACTIVITIES
PROHIBITI	PROHIBITIONS ON THE USE OF THE GRANT FUNDS, FOR EXAM	R EXAMPLE, FOR A	CTIVITIES THAT WO	ULD VIOLATE FEDER	AL, STATE OR LOCAL LAWS	PLE, FOR ACTIVITIES THAT WOULD VIOLATE FEDERAL, STATE OR LOCAL LAWS, RULES OR REGULATIONS, OR THAT
WOULD BE	WOULD BE CONSIDERED POLITICAL OR LOBBYING ACTIVITIES UNDER FEDERAL OR STATE LAW, THE GRANT LETTER ALSO CONTAINED A REVIEW AND MONITORING	FIVITIES UNDER F	EDERAL OR STATE L	AW. THE GRANT LET	<u> TER ALSO CONTAINED A RE</u>	IEW AND MONITORING
PROCEDUR	PROCEDURE WHICH REQUIRES REPORTS BY GRANTEE ON THE USE OF THE GRANT FUNDS UPON REQUEST, AND RETURN OF ANY FUNDS USED IN VIOLATION OF THE AGREEMENT.	ON THE USE OF T	HE GRANT FUNDS UP	ON REQUEST, AND RE	TURN OF ANY FUNDS USED	N VIOLATION OF THE AGREEMENT.
THE CONT	THE CONTRIBUTION TO GROWTH & OPPORTUNITY PAC WAS NOT SO RESTRICTED.	C WAS NOT SO RES	STRICTED.			
Part !!, 1. 1(1	Part!!, I. 1(1)(a) Illinois Business & Industry Council, Inc., 55 E. Monroe	Monroe St., Suite 380	St., Suite 3800, Chicago, IL 60603.			
						Schedule I (Form 990) (2016)

SCHEDULE O (Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.

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Coalition for Growth and Opportunity, Inc.	47-4425291				
Part III, line 2: The Coalition worked to educate and advocate for government reforms that would result in a stronger economy, lower taxes,					
more jobs and a balanced budget. These reforms included term limits for elected official and fair redistricting maps that would					
reduce gridlock and pave the way for limited government, education reform, balanced budget and pro-growth economic policy. It also					
advocated for less government regulation to keep energy prices low and create jobs. It did so through grants, public advertising and grass-					
roots activism.					
Part III, line 1 Description of primary exempt purpose:					
The corporation was formed for the common good and general welfare to educate and advocate for free enterprise, limited government,					
economic growith, and traditional values.					
Part VI, l. 11b: The return is prepared by counsel and circulated to the corporation's President and sole director for comment and approval.					
Once that approval is obtained, the President directs the Treasurer to sign and file the return.					
Part VI, I. 19: he corporation keeps its governing documents, conflict of interest policy and financial statements at its main office					
address, and makes them available for inspection at that office by appointment upon request.					
Part VI, l. 12c: The corporation reviews the policy at its annual meeting of directors and the directors disclose potential conflicts at that time.					
At other times, directors consult with counsel regarding potential conflicts of interest and disclose any such conflicts.					
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